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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 10/539 955

Filing Date: June 17, 2005

Confirmation No.: 8659

METHOD FOR THE ECONOMICAL PRODUCTION OF

HEAT EXCHANGER TUBES BENT IN A U-SHAPE

Inventors: (1) Horst GLATZ, (2) Eberhard LEPIN,

(3) Gerhard SCHUEZ and (4) Martin STRAUB

Group: 3726

Examiner: Chang

Please direct correspondence to the address associated with the following customer number:

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FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C. (FIRM)

- Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114 1.
  - [X] An amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on March 3, 2010 was not entered. Please enter before calculating the filing fee.
  - [X] Enclosed is/are: b.
    - i. [] Amendment/Response (please enter before calculating the filing fee)
    - ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. [X] Acknowledgment Post Card
    - v. [X] Letter to Examiner.
- 2. Miscellaneous
  - [] Small entity status is claimed. **a** . See 37 CFR 1.27.
  - b. []

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- 3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed).
  - a. [X] The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

	No.	No.	(X)	RATE	()	
For	Filed	Extra	LG Entity		SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee			\$810.00		\$405.00	\$810.00
Total Claims	(16 - 2	20 = 0)	x \$ 52.00		x \$ 26.00	
Indep. Claims	(2-	3 = 0)	x 220.00		x \$110.00	
[] Multiple De	p. Clair	n	+ \$390.00		+ \$195.00	
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$ 810.00

- b. [X] Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by one month(s). The extension fee is: \$130.00.
- c. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months). Suspension of action fee is \$\_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR §1.17(i)).
- d. [X] A check for \$940.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- e. [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$ .
- f. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382.

The undersigned is: [X] an attorney of record

[] acting under 37 CFR §1.34.

Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at telephone number (269) 381-1156.

Respectfully submitted,

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

Terryence F. Chapman

Reg. No. 32 549

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Encl: Listed above

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